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1. IV CORPS COMMANDER, MGEN NGUYEN VINH NGHI, HELD A
TACTICAL AREA OF OPERATIONS MEETING FOR HIS DIVISION COMMANDERS
AND SIXTEEN PROVINCE CHIEFS JUNE 14. AMONG THE EXTENSIVE
GUIDANCE THAT HE OFFERED WERE COMMENTS ON THE HES. HE SAID THAT
PROVINCE CHIEFS WERE NOT FOLLOWING CORPS ORDERS TO ACTUALLY
IMPROVE HAMLET AND POPULATION SECURITY.

2. HE SAID THAT HE HAD DISCOVERED IN HIS TRAVELS THAT SOME
HES OFFICERS HAD NOT BEEN IN HAMLETS THEY WERE REPORTING ON FOR
FIVE TO SIX MONTHS. HE ORDERED PROVINCE CHIEFS TO TAKE

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHANGING HES OFFICERS WHO DID NOT PERFORM.

3. NGHI SAID THAT MANY HAMLETS WERE RATED B AND C THAT
THE ENEMY ENTERED EVEN BY DAY AS WELL AS BY NIGHT. HE
SAID HE WANTED NO CHEATING ON THE HES, BUT A TRUTHFUL
PICTURE. HE STRESSED THAT HIS OBJECTIVE WAS A REAL ELEVATION
OF SECURITY.

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